

Z E R O B E A T

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ANNUAL According to the by-laws of our corporation, we must MEETING hold one meeting per year designated as the Annual Meeting of the Corporation. This shall be, according to a by-law amendment, our June meeting. This year's June meeting will be held on June 7, 1958, the first Saturday in June at the old United Church in Wilbraham.

NOTE THE CHANGE FROM FRIDAY TO SATURDAY EVENING FOR THIS MEETING.

The meeting will start with a supper being served at 6:30 P.M. After the supper will be held the regular meeting, including our annual election of officers. Movies of previous Field Day outings of the club will also be shown.

Tickets for the dinner are now available from the officers and members of the Board of Directors, and at Springfield Radio and Soundco, for the price of one (\$1.00). The club treasury is subsidizing 100 plates at the dinner for the sum of \$.75 each. Any more than that 100 will have to pay the full price of \$1.75. This latter price is for our guests and those members who failed to get their ticket before the 100 ran out. Our club secretary Norm Forest, W1STR, is the co-ordinator for the sale of tickets. If you cannot get a ticket from the above mentioned places, call Norm at St2-2026 and ask him to save you one if any are returned to him unsold.

INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THE DINNER IS A CHANCE TO WIN THE DOOR PRIZE OF A BRAND NEW TAPETONE CONVERTER FOR TWO METERS (AMATEUR NET PRICE \$84.95)

LAST MONTH'S MEETING The May meeting was a combination affair at which we had both non-technical and technical talks. First we had Mr. John Huntoon, W1LVQ, Assistant General Manager of the ARRL give a most interesting talk on "International Radio Conferences". His talk covered national and international radio conferences from 1903 up to the present time. He also explained the stand now held by the United States, as yet unofficial, for the coming international radio conference to be held in Geneva on July 1, 1959.

The "constructioneers" and "why-does-it-work" gangs were held especially interested by the able talk and demonstration by Mr. Karl Burnett, a Project Engineer from the F.W. Sickles Company. Mr. Burnett gave a chalk talk explaining the operation of power transistors. He also had set up a complete transistor power supply with appropriate meters to show its operation.

FIELD DAY IS Now is the time to do that planning for your
JUNE 28 AND 29. your Field Day activity.

Here are a few spot check reports on the set-up so far. The information is from the co-ordinators of the various bands, and due to the early publishing of this issue for the dinner, the information is not complete.

2 METERS - Bill Rosner, W1RFU
So far everything ship shape. Station all set with low power. FB on antennas, expect to have 10 element beam and rotor up. Would like Viking 6N2 - have power supply and modulator already. Have VHF 152A-W, would like comm. rcvr to go with it.

6 METERS - Dick Bolt, W1DGA
Gonset Communicator II and 4 element beam already for service. Would like higher power, of course, and a few good operators.

10 METERS - Norm Forest, W1STR
Ready to go with a Viking 1 and an HQ-129 X. Also will have a 3 element Telrex beam up. Operators needed.

20 METERS - Chris Payne, W1HDM
An NC-300 and a Viking Valiant have been tentatively promised. Also have a Central Electronics 10A Exciter (for SSB) already. Looking for some good CW operators.

80 METERS - Henry Baier, W1NY
Complete station ready to go. 60 watt xmtr. (807), HQ-120 rcvr., antenna, wiring, bug, etc.

Other co-ordinators listed but no report at press time:

Jack, W1WEF - 40 Meters

Mac, W1HRV - 15 Meters

Allen, K1CZY - Novice Activities

FIELD DAY MEETING It is planned to have a get-together of the laboring class on Friday Eve. before field day to survey for antennas and to make preliminary arrangements for equipment. More details on this at the next meeting.

PAY-OFF DINNER The pay-off dinner was held in West Hartford on May 8th. After a good meal, and the final gavel presentation, the group was addressed by Mason Southworth, W1VLH, on the subject of "Space Travel". Ed Tilton, W1HDQ showed color slides of his extensive travels (not in space however). About 30 of the Springfield gang showed, and outnumbered the Hartford boys by five or six. It was a very enjoyable affair.

NOMINEES FOR
ELECTION

We repeat the following report of the nominating Committee, with elections to be held at the June meeting.

President - - - - - Tom Ferguson, W1WF_L
Vice President - - - - - Dick Stevens, W1QWJ
Secretary - - - - - Norm Forest, W1STR
Treasurer - - - - - Wes Thayer, W1LRE
Directors - - - - - Ken Hardy, W1DXW
Bill Ham, W1RRX
Chet Balicki, W1IVK
Bill Gourley, W1AUF

Nominations from the floor are in order.

BADGES New badges will be available at the June meeting and thereafter for 35¢ each. (To offset their cost to the club.)

HIDDEN TRANSMITTER HUNTS Keep the first Friday of July and August open for this event. We plan to start the hunt as close to 7 P.M. as possible. The event will be held in Wilbraham. The gathering point will be in Memorial Field near the Wilbraham Academy Athletic Field.

There will be some Gonset 2 meter sets available with 6 and 12 volt operation for those who wish to enter the hunt but do not have equipment. This equipment will be given out on a first come basis. If not interested in the hunt come out and have a bull session.

PUZZLER'S CORNER Due to the lack of submitted answers to last month's puzzle we have decided not to publish the correct answer at this time. The answer that we received (only one) was not correct. It may be that there is not sufficient interest to continue the column. But, undaunted, we shall try once more.

1. If it took 10 hours for a train to travel from New York City to Albany and a train left NYC every hour on the hour; and it took 10 hours for the trip the other way and a train left Albany every 30 minutes on the hour and half-hour, how many trains would a traveler see on his trip from NYC to Albany.

2. This is not exactly a puzzle--more a test of your memory and the powers of observation. Draw a sketch of a standard telephone dial, or the one in your house, and put in all the numbers and letters in the correct place and order. Do not submit your sketch as we feel it unnecessary to publish this correctly.